

**EAST LYME HARBOR MANAGEMENT & SHELLFISH COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 21, 2023
EAST LYME TOWN HALL**

Chairman
Stephen Dinsmore

Treasurer
Donald F. Landers Jr.

Secretary
Jim Allen

CRAIG MASON
TOWN CLERK

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Members Present: Steve Dinsmore, Don MacKenzie, Jim Allen, Greg Murin, Craig Mason
Members Absent: Don Landers, Rick Kanter
Ex-Officio(s) Present: Ann Cicchiello, BOS liaison
Also Present: Ron Johnson, Harbor Master

1. CALL TO ORDER: S. Dinsmore called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 20, 2022

MOTION: (Murin/Allen) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 20, 2022 as presented. Vote: APPROVED unanimously

3. PUBLIC DELEGATIONS-none

MOTION: (Allen/Murin) to add Coastline Consulting and Development, Giants Neck Beach Association beach nourishment plan. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

Consulting and Development, Giants Neck Beach Association beach nourishment plan.

Mark Jackson, Coastline Consulting and Development, informed the Commission that he is requesting a determination for the deposit of up to 1000 cy of sand over 5 years to the Giants Neck Beach Association beach. The sand will be 12" in depth and will be pushed up to the seawall in the winter months and then graded to the mean high tide boundary. The determination is the same as the 5-year plan that has just expired.

It was determined that any shellfish in the area would not be adversely affected.

MOTION: (Murin/Allen) the Commission determines that the beach nourishment plan will not adversely affect the shellfish. Vote: APPROVED unanimously.

4. REPORTS

A. Treasurer:

S. Dinsmore reported that the First Selectman informed him that an additional stipend would be added to this year's budget to cover the cost of the Online Mooring administration.

B. Ex-Officio:

A. Cicchiello reported:

- 2 EV charging stations will be installed
- Budgets are coming in with increases
- New time and attendance system in town hall

C. Harbor Master

R. Johnson reported that renewals will be going out at the end of the month. Online Mooring will also be sending out a letter to current mooring holders explaining the fee increase and the new system for applications and renewals.

R. Johnson had the applications and renewals taken off the website as people were sending in paper copies with the previous fee.

Discussion of Harbormaster Boat

D. MacKenzie informed the members the boat swap is close to being resolved and verbal agreements are in place.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Shellfish Lease / Londregan Lease Renewal-no discussion

B. Shellfish Management Plan:

S. Dinsmore presented an email from Alissa Dragan supporting the Commissions efforts to collect samples to see if the water quality west of Black Point meets the criteria for an open area.

The Commission discussed pursuing a long-term plan for opening the Pattagansett estuary for shell fishing and approaching Amtrack for help in restoring the water flow of the Pattagansett River.

C. Maison volunteered to be on the subcommittee to draft the shellfish management plan.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sign Replacement/Sign Maintenance

S. Dinsmore is contacting Sign Craft for the replacement of two shellfish boundary signs. He will contact DEEP to mark the boundaries.

7. FINAL COMMENTS-none

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: (Murin/Allen) to adjourn at 7:36 PM. Vote: Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted

Sue Spang

Recording Secretary

2022 Meeting Dates:

Meetings are conducted on the third Tuesday of the month

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The meetings will start at 7:00